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For: TOPICAL AGENT CONTAINING PHYTANIC ACID OR A

DERIVATIVE THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of May 8, 2008 and the request for further information in it, applicant elects

the subject matter of claims 10-15, Group III,

a specific compound falling within claim 10: phytanic acid,

a specific condition being treated or prevented: cellulite.

Please examine the elected claims on the merits taking into account the documents cited in the International Search Report in the underlying PCT application and the Information Disclosure Statement filed December 6, 2005.

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Respectfully submitted,

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